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Oberstar Announces T&I Staff Appointments

WASHINGTON—Rep. James L. Oberstar (D-Minn.), incoming Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, today announced the following additions to the Majority professional staff for the 110th Congress:

Helena Zybliekewycz—Senior Professional Staff

Mary Kerr—Press Secretary

Julie Lotz—Communications Assistant

Clay Foushee—Senior Oversight Staff

Zybliewicz comes to the Committee after three years as the Legislative Representative for the Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO. Kerr has served as Communications Director in Oberstar's personal Congressional office since 1995. Lotz is an experienced journalist, most recently with the Voice of America. Foushee, a former Chief Scientist and Technical Advisor at FAA and Vice-President at Northwest Airlines, is currently a non-attorney Partner and Director of Government Affairs with the firm of Zuckert, Scoutt & Rasenberger, LLP, and President of Farragut International, LLC, the law firm's consulting affiliate.

There is one major change from the Democratic staff in the 109th Congress:

Ryan Seiger—promoted to Staff Director/Senior Counsel of the Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee.

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In addition, five Majority staff members from the previous Congress will remain with the Committee in the 110th:

Sharon Barkeloo—Senior Professional Staff, Budget and Aviation
Jimmy Miller—Facilities and Travel Director
Keven Sard—Information Systems Manager
Tracy Mosebey—Legislative Calendar Clerk, Associate Editor
Gilda Shirley—Editor, Associate Legislative Calendar Clerk

Most of the remaining professional staff positions will be retained by those who held the corresponding minority position in the 109th Congress, including:

David Heymsfeld—Staff Director
Ward McCarragher—Chief Counsel
Dara Schlieker—Administrator
Jim Berard—Director of Communications
Stacie Soumbeniotis—Staff Director and Senior Counsel, Subcommittee on Aviation
John Cullather—Staff Director, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation
Susan Brita—Staff Director, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management
Ken House—Staff Director, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit
Jennifer Esposito—Staff Director, Subcommittee on Railroads
Trinita Brown—Counsel, Investigations

The new appointments are effective January 3, 2007. Additional staff appointments are pending.

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